



# LANCASTER BAND BOOSTERS

February 2019

The Lancaster Band Boosters enhance the overall band experience, by working directly with the directors of the band program. Membership is open to all adult persons who are committed to supporting the instrumental music program in the Lancaster City Schools. Regular meetings are held on the first Monday of the month beginning at 7:30pm in the Lancaster High School Band Room.

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## FLORIDA TRIP INFORMATIONAL MEETING



TUESDAY, JANUARY 29 - 7:00pm  
LANCASTER HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

## DIRECTOR OF BANDS

When you visit the band website, the first thing you may see is a mission statement. It starts by saying that *"the Lancaster band program exists to provide our students with an outstanding instrumental music experience..."*

Obviously, all students want to have a great experience. As a parent, you want your band member to enjoy his or her time in band and have fond memories of the experience. The harder question to answer might be "how?"

Here are a few suggestions to help your band member get those most out of the high school band experience.

### TAKE IT SERIOUSLY

The band members that enjoy band the most put a lot of effort into it. They pay attention in rehearsals and soak up as much information as they can. They actually practice on their own, even when there's no performance or playing test in the near future. To these students, band is not just an activity to pass the time. It's something they take very seriously.

### MAKE SOME GOOD FRIENDS

Band is very different than other subjects in many ways. One reason is the fact that it's inherently social. The interactions between band members during rehearsals, let alone before and after rehearsals, is really important to develop a positive experience in band.

### GET PARENTS INVOLVED

They may not act like it, but students really do care if their parents support what they do. If you, as a parent, volunteer for a fundraiser, attend a booster meeting, or go to a performance, it shows that you value band too. In addition to support from their peers, band members need to know that they have support at home also.

### MAKE A COMMITMENT

Studies have shown that even before they begin playing, beginning band students who made a decision to play their instruments long-term, made significantly more progress than those who decided they would just "try it." The same is true as we get older. Students should consider making a commitment to continue playing their instrument, even past high school and into adulthood.

Ben Factor  
*Director of Bands,*  
*Lancaster High School*

## BAND BOOSTER PRESIDENT

Snow is on the ground, temperatures are well below freezing, and students are interested in the news (of course, only to see if their school is closed)...must be February!! Most would think this is a down time for our music students and directors; however, that is far from the truth as our students and directors are continuously working hard to better themselves and the Lancaster Music program. As I am sure you are, I am always amazed at the dedication, effort and time our students put forth towards their musical education.

The hard work of the students is certainly proving fruitful. Over the past few months, Lancaster Band students have been selected to serve in Honor Bands at Ohio University, Xavier University, and the Ohio State University. Further, Lancaster High School was well-represented in the All-County Band with over 10 students being selected to participate. I am so impressed and proud of the many wonderful musicians representing the Lancaster music program.

With the hard work, there must be some fun. Coming up is the Annual Thunder Alley Bowling Night held at Tiki Lanes from 10:00 pm to Midnight on Sunday, February 17<sup>th</sup> (No School on Monday due to President's Day). This event is for all band students grades 7 through 12. Cost is only \$5.00 per student (collected at the door) and this covers the bowling, shoes and pizza dinner. Please encourage your students to attend and sign up on the forms in the band room. The Band Boosters will need volunteers for the event to help with sign in and chaperone. Please come and help out if you are able. Further, we ask that parents donate snacks such as chips and baked goods to share with the group. This is a great event for the students so please encourage your students to attend.

Finally, the hard work of the Band Boosters also continues. I want to first welcome Jean Comer as the new Secretary for the Band Boosters. Jean has been a wonderful volunteer and advocate for the band program and we are delighted she has agreed to help out as an officer. Thank you Jean! Jean joins a wonderful group of folks who dedicate a great amount of their time to the band program. Please consider joining in on the fun and see the behind the scenes work that provides a wonderful program for your students. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 4, 2019 and will be held at the High School Band Room. Hope to see you there!

Mike Courtney  
Band Booster President

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**Band Camp**  
**University of Rio Grande**  
**July 28 - August 2, 2019**

**Band of Gold Florida Trip**  
**December 30, 2019 - January 3, 2020**

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## THANK YOU

Thank you for your recent donation of buns to the Lancaster Vineyard Food Pantry. Our clients are thrilled when fresh buns are available. We appreciate you allowing us to share this food with the needy folks of Fairfield County.

Jim Daubenmire  
Pantry Manager

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## BE INFORMED

If you would like to subscribe to our online calendar, please visit the band website at [LancasterBands.com](http://LancasterBands.com) and click on the "Events" tab on the top menu. Simply click on the plus sign at the bottom of the calendar to subscribe.

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## UPCOMING PERFORMANCES

**Saturday, February 16**

Solo and Ensemble

**Thursday, February 28**

Winter Band Concert

**March 8 or 9**

OMEA District Adjudicated Event

**Saturday, March 30**

Jazz Band Dinner Dance

**May 3 or 4**

OMEA State Adjudicated Event

**May 10 and 11**

Percussion Ensemble Concert

**Thursday, May 16**

Spring Band Concert

**Monday, May 27**

Memorial Day Parade

**Saturday, June 1**

LHS Graduation

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## THUNDER ALLEY

**Sunday, February 17th - 10pm - midnight**  
**Tiki Bowling Lanes**

For all high school and 7th and 8th grade band members. \$5.00 per student (includes bowling and shoes). Pizza and drinks provided.

## FUNDRAISING

Hello Band Families! Our Fundraising season is off to a great start. Listed below is how we are doing thus far:

Our Canes Proceed nights have been fun and we have earned some money. So far, the Band has earned \$238.55! Not bad for nights out with friends enjoying a meal. Our next Canes Proceed Night is March 13<sup>th</sup>! Please mark your calendars and tell your friends, co-workers, etc. This is easy money for our organization.

Yankee Candle Sales went well. Total PROFIT sales was \$2,018.40! Each student who participated, will receive 40% of their individual sales totals to go to their Student Accounts. Thank you to all who participated. This was the easiest fundraiser. Congratulations to Dallas H. for having the highest in sales. She has earned a \$50.00 gift card to the merchant of her choice. 😊

In February – we will be doing the Cookie Sale Fundraiser. Again – an easy way to earn dollars for your student's Account.

In March – we will be doing the Candy Bar Sale. These proceeds will go to your student's account.

March 30<sup>th</sup> – Jazz Dance. This is a fun evening with great music performances by our very own Jazz Band. Please come out and support these students. It is exciting to watch everyone dance while the students play fabulous music.

May 18<sup>th</sup> we will be holding the 1<sup>st</sup> annual Community Yard Sale! This is a fun way to earn money for our Band. Please begin preparing for this by setting aside any and all items you wish to part with. Clothing, games, books, sports equipment, furniture, etc. Anything in good condition. This event will be a huge success with ALL of your help.

I thank everyone who has participated/continue to participate in our fundraisers. Remember, our Florida Trip is in December. These fundraisers not only help the Band but also help your student raise money for their Student Accounts. I hope to see everyone participate in the next few fundraisers.

Dana Travis  
Fundraising Chair

**Lancaster Band Boosters  
Mid-Year Financial Report**

**July - December, 2018**

<b>Income \$39,476.02</b>	
Amazon Smile	\$25.95
Interest Income	\$7.00
Kroger Community Rewards	\$307.22
VISA Rewards	\$99.55
<b>Total Community Rewards</b>	<b>\$439.72</b>
Concessions - Fair Booth	\$4,523.14
Concessions - Football Games	\$7,151.36
<b>Total Concessions</b>	<b>\$11,674.50</b>
Candle Sale	\$1,668.50
Concert Basket Raffles	\$434.00
Golf Outing	\$1,615.00
Invitational	\$12,154.60
July 4th Parking	\$978.53
<b>Total Fundraisers</b>	<b>\$16,850.63</b>
County Fair Participation	\$500.00
Donations - General	\$302.26
Parades Participation	\$700.00
<b>Total Public Support</b>	<b>\$1,502.26</b>
<b>Collected Student Fees</b>	<b>\$9,008.91</b>
<b>Expenses \$51,343.96</b>	
<b>Storage Facility</b>	<b>\$2,000.00</b>
<b>Concert Bands</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>
Legal & Professional Fees	\$305.00
Officer Operating Expenses	\$253.80
Scholarship Committee	\$1,000.00
Transportation Committee	\$2,101.33
<b>Total General and Operations</b>	<b>\$3,660.13</b>
Band Camp	\$26,738.59
MB Awards/Rewards	\$1,098.12
MB Commissions	\$8,670.85
MB Contest Fees	\$465.00
MB Equipment and Supplies	\$1,622.36
MB Uniform Expenses	\$6,581.44
<b>Total Marching Band</b>	<b>\$45,176.36</b>
<b>Uncategorized Expense</b>	<b>\$207.47</b>
<b>Net Operating Income -\$11,867.94</b>	

# FEBRUARY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>1</b> <b>Flute Trio</b> <b>(Class A)</b> <b>4:30-5:30pm</b>  <b>Flute Choir</b> <b>5:30-6:30pm</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <b>Percussion Ensemble</b> <b>3-5pm</b>  <b>Clarinet Choir</b> <b>3-4pm</b>  <b>Flute Choir</b> <b>5:30-6:30pm</b>  <b>Band Booster Meeting</b> <b>7:30pm</b>	<b>5</b> <b>Swinging Gales</b> <b>3-4:30pm</b>  <b>Winter Guard</b> <b>6-9pm</b>  <b>Winter Guard at Basketball Game</b>	<b>6</b> <b>Percussion Ensemble</b> <b>3-5pm</b>  <b>Clarinet Trio</b> <b>3-3:30pm</b>  <b>Winter Guard</b> <b>6-8pm</b>	<b>7</b> <b>Percussion Ensemble</b> <b>3-5pm</b>  <b>Woodwind Quintet</b> <b>6-7pm</b>  <b>Winter Guard</b> <b>6-8pm</b>	<b>8</b> <b>Swinging Gales</b> <b>3-4pm</b>  <b>Flute Trio</b> <b>(Class A)</b> <b>4:30-5:30pm</b>  <b>Flute Choir</b> <b>5:30-6:30pm</b>  <b>Winter Guard at Basketball Game</b>  <b>Pep Band at Girls Basketball Game</b> <b>6:30pm</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <b>Clarinet Choir</b> <b>3-4pm</b>  <b>Flute Choir</b> <b>5:30-6:30pm</b>	<b>12</b> <b>Swinging Gales</b> <b>3-4:30pm</b>  <b>Winter Guard</b> <b>6-8pm</b>	<b>13</b> <b>Clarinet Trio</b> <b>3-3:30pm</b>  <b>Winter Guard</b> <b>6-8pm</b>	<b>14</b> <b>Woodwind Quintet</b> <b>6-7pm</b>  <b>Winter Guard</b> <b>6-8pm</b>	<b>15</b> <b>Swinging Gales</b> <b>3-4pm</b>  <b>Flute Trio</b> <b>(Class A)</b> <b>4:30-5:30pm</b>  <b>Flute Choir</b> <b>5:30-6:30pm</b>  <b>Winter Guard at Basketball Game</b>  <b>Pep Band at Boys Basketball Game</b>	<b>16</b> <b>High School Solo and Ensemble</b>
<b>17</b> <b>Thunder Alley</b> <b>10pm-midnight</b>	<b>18</b> <b>NO SCHOOL</b>	<b>19</b> <b>Winter Guard</b> <b>6-8pm</b>	<b>20</b> <b>Winter Guard</b> <b>6-8pm</b>	<b>21</b> <b>Winter Guard</b> <b>6-8pm</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> <b>Winter Guard</b> <b>6-8pm</b>	<b>27</b> <b>Winter Guard</b> <b>6-8pm</b>	<b>28</b> <b>Winter Guard</b> <b>6-8pm</b>  <b>OMEA Adjudicated Event Preview Concert</b> <b>7:30pm</b>	<b>March 1</b>	<b>March 2</b> <b>OIPA Winter Guard Show at Central Crossing High School</b>

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